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**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT
IN RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S TELEPHONE CALL**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir or Madam:

In response to a telephonic communication received by the Examiner on December 11, 2002, the Applicant submits the requested replacement claims in compliance with the format required under 37 CFR 1.121. The Examiner requested a MARKED-UP copy of claim 9 and a CLEAN copy of claim 9.

On the following page there is a CLEAN version of the replacement claim 9 for the amendment to the Specification located on Page 30, line 17 through Page 31, line 6 for Patent Application 09/757,738. This amendment complies with 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii).